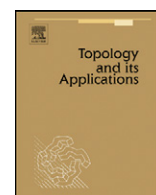




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## Completion of quasi-topological groups

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## ABSTRACT

A topology of a quasi-topological group is induced by several natural semi-uniformities, namely right, left, two-sided and Roelcke semi-uniformities. A quasi-topological group is called complete if every Cauchy (in some sense—we examine several generalizations of Cauchy properties) filter on the two-sided semi-uniformity converges.

We use the theory of Hausdorff complete semi-uniform spaces, see [B. Batíková, Completion of semi-uniform spaces, Appl. Categor. Struct. 15 (2007) 483–491], and show that Hausdorff complete quasi-topological groups form an epireflective subcategory of Hausdorff quasi-topological groups. But the reflection arrows need not be embeddings.

For several types of Cauchy-like properties we show examples of quasi-topological groups that cannot be embedded into a complete group.

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The theme of this paper is to study completions of quasi-topological groups. Quasi-topological groups are groups with topology where multiplication is separately continuous (not necessarily continuous) and inversion is continuous. Another generalization of topological groups are paratopological groups. See the survey paper [7] for some results and for other references.

In the present paper we show several generalizations of Cauchy properties to quasi-topological groups such that the corresponding completeness is epireflective in Hausdorff quasi-topological groups. But one never gets embeddings of all groups into their group completions.

For several generalizations of Cauchy properties we show examples of  $T_1$ - and  $T_2$ -quasi-topological groups that cannot be embedded into a complete quasi-topological group.

## 1. Notations and definitions

The main references are the books [4,5] for topology and [2,8] for topological structures on groups.

On topological groups there are several natural uniformities inducing the original group topology, namely right, left, upper (two-sided) and lower (Roelcke) uniformities. The situation is similar if we demand only separate continuity of the multiplication mapping and instead of uniformities consider semi-uniformities. First recall some basic definitions of topological structures on groups:

**Definition 1.** Let  $X$  be a group with a topology  $\tau$ .

We say that  $X$  is a *right topological group* if the mapping  $m : X \times X \rightarrow X : (x, y) \mapsto xy$  is continuous for the left variable, which means that for each  $y \in X$  the mapping (the *right translation*)  $r_y : x \mapsto xy$  is continuous.

We say that  $X$  is a *left topological group* if the mapping  $m$  is continuous for the right variable, which means that for each  $x \in X$  the mapping (the *left translation*)  $l_x : y \mapsto xy$  is continuous.

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We say that  $X$  is a *semi-topological group* if the mapping  $m$  is separately continuous, which means that it is continuous for the right and left variable.

We say that  $X$  is a *quasi-topological group* if it is a semi-topological group and the inversion mapping  $i : X \rightarrow X : x \mapsto x^{-1}$  is continuous.

A group  $X$  with a topology is a quasi-topological group iff all the right, resp. left, translations are homeomorphisms. Any right, resp. left, topological group with a continuous inversion map is a quasi-topological group.

We recall from [4] that a semi-uniformity on a set  $X$  is a filter of subsets of  $X \times X$  having a base of symmetric sets and the intersection of which contains the diagonal. Every semi-uniformity  $\mathcal{U}$  on  $X$  induces a closure on  $X$ , namely  $\bar{A} = \bigcap_{U \in \mathcal{U}} U[A]$ . We shall deal with those semi-uniformities inducing topological closures. They can be described as follows:

**Definition 2.** A semi-uniformity  $\mathcal{U}$  on  $X$  is called a *t-semi-uniformity* if

$$(\forall U \in \mathcal{U})(\forall x \in X)(\exists V \in \mathcal{U})(\forall y \in V[x])(U[x] \in \mathcal{U}_y),$$

where  $\mathcal{U}_y = \{U[y]; U \in \mathcal{U}\}$ .

The couple  $(X, \mathcal{U})$  is then called a *t-semi-uniform space*, where the letter  $t$  stands for *topological*.

We describe several semi-uniformities on quasi-topological groups, the description is the same as for topological groups, see e.g. [8]:

**Definition 3.** The semi-uniformity  $\mathcal{R}$  with the base consisting of sets  $R_U = \{(x, y) \in X \times X; yx^{-1} \in U\}$ ,  $U \in \mathcal{U}_e$ , where  $\mathcal{U}_e$  is a neighbourhood filter of the unit  $e$  in the topology of a quasi-topological group  $X$ , is called the *right semi-uniformity* on the group  $X$ .

The semi-uniformity  $\mathcal{L}$  with the base consisting of sets  $L_U = \{(x, y) \in X \times X; x^{-1}y \in U\}$ ,  $U \in \mathcal{U}_e$ , is called the *left semi-uniformity* on the group  $X$ .

Supremum  $\mathcal{L} \vee \mathcal{R}$ , resp. infimum  $\mathcal{L} \wedge \mathcal{R}$ , is clearly also a semi-uniformity on  $X$ , see e.g. [4], and it is called the *two-sided* (or *upper*), resp. *Roelcke* (or *lower*), *semi-uniformity* on  $X$ .

Remark that each of the described semi-uniformities is *topological* (or *t-*) *semi-uniformity*. They have one more useful property:

**Definition 4.** A *t-semi-uniformity* on a set  $X$  is called *pointwise open* if it has such a base  $\mathcal{B}$  that  $B[x]$  is an open neighborhood of  $x$ , for all  $x \in X$ ,  $B \in \mathcal{B}$ .

In the next we examine only the two-sided semi-uniformities, which are used in the definition of complete quasi-topological groups.

## 2. Initial t-semi-uniformities on groups

We need some basic facts about quasi-topological groups, which can be proved in the same way as in topological groups, see e.g. [8].

**Proposition 1.** Let  $X, Y$  be quasi-topological groups,  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  a continuous homomorphism. Then  $f$  is uniformly continuous with respect to the right, left, resp. to the two-sided, resp. to the lower, semi-uniformities on  $X$  and  $Y$ .

**Proposition 2.** Let  $(X_i, \tau_i)$  be a quasi-topological group for each  $i \in I$ . Let  $X$  be a group and  $f_i : X \rightarrow X_i$  be a homomorphism, for each  $i \in I$ ,  $\tau$  the initial topology on  $X$  w.r.t. the maps  $f_i : X \rightarrow (X_i, \tau_i)$ . Then  $(X, \tau)$  is a quasi-topological group. Its right semi-uniformity coincides with the initial semi-uniformity w.r.t. the maps  $f_i : X \rightarrow (X_i, \mathcal{R}_i)$ , where  $\mathcal{R}_i$  is the right semi-uniformity on  $(X_i, \tau_i)$ ,  $i \in I$ . The same holds for the left and two-sided semi-uniformities.

**Proposition 3.**

- (a) The subgroup of a quasi-topological group with the subspace topology is a quasi-topological group.
- (b) Let  $(X, \tau_i)$  be quasi-topological groups,  $i \in I$ . The group  $(X, \tau)$  with the supremum topology  $\tau = \sup_{i \in I} \tau_i$  is a quasi-topological group.
- (c) Let  $(X, \tau_i)$  be quasi-topological groups,  $i \in I$ . The topological product  $(\prod_{i \in I} X_i, \prod_{i \in I} \tau_i)$  is a quasi-topological group.

**Proposition 4.** A closure of a subgroup  $X$  of a quasi-topological group  $Y$  is a quasi-topological subgroup of  $Y$ .

### 3. Categories of Hausdorff complete groups

The definitions of Cauchy-like properties and completeness come from [3]:

**Definition 5.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{U})$  be a  $t$ -semi-uniform space.

- (1) A filter  $\mathfrak{f}$  on a space  $X$  is called a *classic Cauchy filter* on  $(X, \mathcal{U})$  if for every  $U \in \mathcal{U}$  there exists  $F \in \mathfrak{f}$  such that  $F \times F \subset U$ .
- (2) A filter  $\mathfrak{f}$  on a space  $X$  is called a *Cauchy filter* on  $(X, \mathcal{U})$  if for every  $U \in \mathcal{U}$  there exists  $F \in \mathfrak{f}$  such that  $U[x] \in \mathfrak{f}$  for every  $x \in F$ .
- (3) A filter  $\mathfrak{f}$  on a space  $X$  is called a *weak Cauchy filter* on  $(X, \mathcal{U})$  if for every  $U \in \mathcal{U}$  and every  $F \in \mathfrak{f}$  there exists  $x \in F$  such that  $U[x] \in \mathfrak{f}$ .
- (4) A filter  $\mathfrak{f}$  on a space  $X$  is called a *semi-Cauchy filter* on  $(X, \mathcal{U})$  if for every  $U \in \mathcal{U}$  there exists  $x \in X$  such that  $U[x] \in \mathfrak{f}$ .

Each of the previous properties implies the next one in  $t$ -semi-uniform spaces, but not conversely. In uniform spaces they are equivalent.

**Definition 6.** A  $t$ -semi-uniform space is called (*classic, weak, semi-*) *complete* if every (*classic, weak, semi-*) Cauchy filter converges.

Every (Hausdorff) topological group is embedded in a (Hausdorff) topological group that is complete in its two-sided uniformity. The Hausdorff complete (in the two-sided uniformity) groups form an epireflective subcategory of the category of all Hausdorff topological groups with continuous homomorphisms. We will examine the situation in quasi-topological groups.

**Definition 7.** A quasi-topological group is called (*classic, weak, semi-*) *complete* if it is (*classic, weak, semi-*) complete in its two-sided semi-uniformity.

**Notation.** Denote by  $(\text{cl}, \text{s}, \text{w})\text{Compl}_{\text{Grp}}$  the category of all (*classic, semi-, weak*) complete Hausdorff quasi-topological groups with continuous homomorphisms,  $\text{QGrp}$  the category of all Hausdorff quasi-topological groups with continuous homomorphisms.

**Theorem 1.** The categories  $\text{clCompl}_{\text{Grp}}$ ,  $\text{sCompl}_{\text{Grp}}$ ,  $\text{wCompl}_{\text{Grp}}$ ,  $\text{Compl}_{\text{Grp}}$  are epireflective subcategories of  $\text{QGrp}$ .

**Proof.** It follows from the fact that Hausdorff (*classic, semi-, weak*) complete spaces are closed under products and closed subspaces, see [3], and Propositions 3 and 4. If the subcategory of  $\text{QGrp}$  is closed under products and closed subgroups then it is epireflective.  $\square$

### 4. Completion of quasi-topological groups

We showed that complete (for all of our definitions) quasi-topological groups form an epireflective subcategory of quasi-topological groups. In the category of Hausdorff topological groups the reflection arrows (to Hausdorff complete reflections) are embeddings. In all the categories  $(\text{cl}, \text{s}, \text{w})\text{Compl}_{\text{Grp}}$  the situation is different.

**Definition 8.** Let  $X$  be a quasi-topological group. A (*classic, weak, semi-*) complete quasi-topological group that contains  $X$  as a dense subgroup is a *group (classic, weak, semi-) completion* of the group  $X$ .

We show that not every Hausdorff quasi-topological group has a Hausdorff group classic completion. That means that the reflection arrows of Hausdorff quasi-topological groups into Hausdorff (*classic, weak, semi-*) complete quasi-topological groups need not be embeddings:

**Example 1.** Take the Abelian group  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ . Denote  $e = (0; 0)$  and  $a_n = (\frac{1}{n}, \sin \frac{1}{n}) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $\mathbb{N}$  is the set of positive integers. Denote  $B_\varepsilon = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}; d(x, e) < \varepsilon\}$ , where  $d$  is the Euclidean metric on  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ . For all points  $x \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  define sets  $\mathcal{B}_x$ :

for  $x = e \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  let  $\mathcal{B}_x = \{B_\varepsilon \setminus \{a_n, -a_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}\}_{\varepsilon > 0}$ ,  
for  $x \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  let  $\mathcal{B}_x = \{G_e + x\}_{G_e \in \mathcal{B}_e}$ .

First we show that the system  $\{\mathcal{B}_x\}_{x \in X}$  generates a topology on  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ . It suffices to show that if  $y \in G_x \in \mathcal{B}_x$  then there is a  $G_y \in \mathcal{B}_y$  that  $G_y \subset G_x$ , see Proposition 1.2.3 in [5]. In fact, if  $y \in G_x = G \setminus \{a_n + x, -a_n + x\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ ,  $y \neq x$ , where  $G$  is a standard open neighborhood of  $x$  in  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ , then there is a standard open neighborhood  $H$  of  $y$  that  $H \subset G$ . As  $\{a_n + x\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$

and  $\{-a_n + x\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  converge to  $x$  in the standard topology, which is Hausdorff, we can assume that  $H$  contains only finitely many  $a_n + x$ ,  $-a_n + x$ , and thus we can take  $H$  without points  $a_n + x$ ,  $-a_n + x$ . Now  $H \subset G_X$ .

Take  $X = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  with the topology  $\tau$  generated by the neighborhood system  $\{\mathcal{B}_x\}_{x \in X}$ . Clearly, it is a Hausdorff quasi-topological group.

Take the filter  $\mathfrak{f}$  generated by the set  $\{\{a_n; n \geq n_0\}, n_0 \in \mathbb{N}\}$ .

We show that  $\mathfrak{f}$  is classic Cauchy on  $X$  (with the right (denoted by  $\mathcal{R}$ ), left or two-sided semi-uniformities, which are the same on Abelian groups).

Take  $U \in \mathcal{B}_e$  and  $R_U = \{(x, y) \in X \times X; x - y \in U\} \in \mathcal{R}$ . We find a set  $F \in \mathfrak{f}$  that  $F \times F \subset R_U$ , which means that we find a number  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  that  $(a_n, a_m) \in R_U$  for all  $n, m \geq n_0$ . As  $U = G \setminus \{a_n, -a_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  for some standard neighborhood  $G$  of  $e$  and the sequence  $\{a_n, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  converges to  $e$ , and thus it is Cauchy, in the standard topology, there is an  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  that  $a_n - a_m \in G$  for all  $n, m \geq n_0$ .

There is no  $p \in \mathbb{N}$  that  $a_n - a_m = a_p$ . In fact, it would mean that there is a  $p \in \mathbb{N}$  that  $\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{m} = \frac{1}{p}$  and  $\sin \frac{1}{n} - \sin \frac{1}{m} = \sin \frac{1}{p}$ , and thus  $\sin \frac{1}{n} - \sin \frac{1}{m} = \sin(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{m}) = \sin \frac{1}{n} \cos \frac{1}{m} - \sin \frac{1}{m} \cos \frac{1}{n}$ , which is impossible because the function  $h(x) = \frac{\sin x}{1 - \cos x}$  is injective in the interval  $]0; \frac{\pi}{2}[$ . Thus  $a_n - a_m \in U$  for all  $n, m \geq n_0$ , and  $\mathfrak{f}$  is classic Cauchy, and, of course, it has no limit in  $X$ .

If there is a Hausdorff classic completion  $Y$  of the space  $X$  the filter  $\mathfrak{f}$  is classic Cauchy on  $Y$ , see [3, Proposition 1], and it converges to a point  $y \in Y$ . We show that  $e$  and  $y$  cannot be separated. Let there be disjoint open sets  $G, H \subset Y$  such that  $e \in G, y \in H$ . First remind that every neighborhood  $G$  of  $e$  intersects every neighborhood of every point  $a_n, n \geq n_0$  for some  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ . As  $\mathfrak{f}$  converges to  $y$ , and thus the sequence  $\{a_n, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  also converges to  $y$ , we can take such  $n_0$  that  $a_n \in H$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ , and thus  $H$  is a neighborhood of all  $a_n, n \geq n_0$ . That is a contradiction.

The quasi-topological group  $X$  has no (classic, weak, semi-) completion containing  $X$  as a subgroup.

In [3, Theorem 5], a completion (weak reflection) is constructed for all non-complete semi-uniform spaces. But this completion cannot be considered a quasi-topological group, because it contains the original space as an open dense subspace.

We show an easy example of  $T_1$ -quasi-topological group that has not a weak (and thus not a semi-) completion (in  $t$ -semi-uniform spaces), and consequently it has not a group weak (and thus not a semi-) completion:

**Example 2.** Let  $X$  be an Abelian quasi-topological group of integers with the coarse  $T_1$ -topology.

The filter  $\mathfrak{f} = \{F \subset X; |X \setminus F| < \omega \wedge \{a, b\} \subset F\}$  is a weak Cauchy filter on the two-sided semi-uniformity on  $X$ , for every couple  $a, b \in X, a \neq b$ .

In fact, let  $U$  be an arbitrary neighbourhood of the neutral element  $0, F \in \mathfrak{f}$ .

The sets  $a - U, b - U, F$  have finite complements, and, thus, a non-empty intersection. Take an element  $z$  from this intersection. Now  $z \in F$  and  $a, b \in z + U$ . Then  $U[z] = z + U \in \mathfrak{f}$ , and  $\mathfrak{f}$  is weak Cauchy.

If the space  $X$  has a weak completion  $Y$ , then the filter  $\mathfrak{f}$  is a weak Cauchy filter on  $Y$ , see [3, Proposition 1]. As  $Y$  is weak complete, the filter  $\mathfrak{f}$  converges to a point  $y \in Y$ . This means that every neighborhood of  $y$  belongs to the filter  $\mathfrak{f}$ , and thus it contains the points  $a, b$ . Now  $y \in \overline{\{a\}}^Y$ , which is equivalent to  $a \in \overline{\{y\}}^Y$ , because the space  $Y$  is symmetric. From  $a \in \overline{\{y\}}^Y$  and  $y \in \overline{\{b\}}^Y$  it follows that  $a \in \overline{\{b\}}^Y$ . This is a contradiction to the topology of  $X$ .

The next useful Lemma does not hold generally in semi-uniformities:

**Lemma 1.** *In pointwise open  $t$ -semi-uniform spaces convergent filters are Cauchy.*

**Proof.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{U})$  be a pointwise open  $t$ -semi-uniform space, a filter  $\mathfrak{f}$  converge to a point  $x \in X$ . Take  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  from Definition 4 and  $U = U^{-1} \in \mathcal{U}$  such that  $U \subset B$ . If  $y \in F = U[x] \in \mathfrak{f}$  then  $x \in U[y] \subset B[y]$  and  $B[y] \in \mathfrak{f}$  because it is a neighborhood of all its points. Thus  $\mathfrak{f}$  is Cauchy.  $\square$

We can use the following proposition for proving the absence of a group weak or semi-completion:

**Proposition 5.** *If a pointwise open  $t$ -semi-uniform space  $X$  has a pointwise open semi-completion, resp. a pointwise open weak completion, then every semi-Cauchy, resp. weak Cauchy, filter on  $X$  must be Cauchy on  $X$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $Y$  be a pointwise open semi-completion of  $X$ ,  $\mathfrak{f}$  be a semi-Cauchy filter on  $X$ . Then  $\mathfrak{f}$  generates a filter  $\mathfrak{f}'$  that is semi-Cauchy on  $Y$  (see [3, Proposition 1]) and thus convergent on  $Y$ . Then by Lemma 1  $\mathfrak{f}'$  is Cauchy on  $Y$ , and thus Cauchy on  $X$ .

The proof for the weak completion is the same.  $\square$

In the next example we show once again that the  $T_1$ -quasi-topological group from Example 2 has not a group weak (and thus not semi-) completion. In fact, if it had a group weak (semi-) completion, weak (semi-) Cauchy filters would coincide with Cauchy ones, see Proposition 5.

**Example 3.** Let  $X$  be an Abelian quasi-topological group of integers with the cofinite topology. The filter  $\mathfrak{f} = \{F \subset X; |X \setminus F| < \omega \wedge \{a, b\} \subset F\}$  is a weak Cauchy but not a Cauchy filter in the two-sided semi-uniformity on  $X$  for every couple  $a, b \in X$ ,  $a \neq b$ .

In Example 2 we showed that  $\mathfrak{f}$  is weak Cauchy.

The filter  $\mathfrak{f}$  is not Cauchy. That would mean that it converges to any point in  $\bigcap \mathfrak{f} = \{a, b\}$ .

The next examples show Hausdorff quasi-topological groups that do not have group weak (and thus semi-) completion. We will use Proposition 5 as in Example 3.

First recall examples of quasi-topological groups described in [1] and [6]:

In [1, par. 3], some orbits are shown to be quasi-topological groups:

**Example 4.** Let  $(G, +)$  be an Abelian group,  $Z$  a Hausdorff topological space. If  $\phi : G \times Z \rightarrow Z$  is an action (i.e.,  $\phi(0, z) = z$ ,  $\phi(a, \phi(b, z)) = \phi(a + b, z)$  for every  $a, b \in G, z \in Z$ , and  $\phi(a, -) : Z \rightarrow Z$  is a continuous mapping for every  $a \in G$ ), then every orbit  $(O(z_0) = \{\phi(a, z_0); a \in G\} \subset Z)$  forms a semi-topological group. If  $G$  is an Abelian group of order 2, the orbits will be quasi-topological groups.

A special orbit is described in [6, Theorem 4]:

**Example 5 (Korovin's orbit).** Let  $(G, +)$  be an Abelian group,  $X$  a Hausdorff topological space such that  $|G^\omega| = |G| \geq |X| \cdot \omega$ . In Example 4 let  $Z = X^G$ ,  $\phi$  be the shift  $\phi(a, f)(b) = f(a + b)$ .

Denote by  $\mathcal{A}$  the set of all finite subsets of  $G$ ,  $\mathcal{F}(A)$  the set of all mappings of  $A$  to  $X$  for  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $\mathcal{F} = \bigcup \{\mathcal{F}(A); A \in \mathcal{A}\}$ . Denote by  $A(f)$  such a set from  $\mathcal{A}$  that  $f \in \mathcal{F}(A(f))$ , for  $f \in \mathcal{F}$ .

Denote  $\tau = |G| = |\mathcal{A}| = |\mathcal{F}|$ .

Take  $\{f_\alpha; \alpha \in \tau\}$  a well-ordering of the set  $\mathcal{F}$ .

By transfinite induction we pick such a subset  $\{g_\alpha; \alpha \in \tau\}$  of  $G$  that the family  $\{g_\alpha + A(f_\alpha); \alpha \in \tau\}$  is disjoint.

Suppose that for an ordinal  $\beta \in \tau$  we have a subset  $\{g_\alpha; \alpha \in \beta\}$  of  $G$  such that the family  $\{g_\alpha + A(f_\alpha); \alpha \in \beta\}$  is disjoint.

Take an element  $g_\beta \in G \setminus H$ , where  $H$  is a minimal subgroup of  $G$  containing the set  $\{A(f_\alpha); \alpha \leq \beta\} \cup \{g_\alpha; \alpha < \beta\}$ .  $G \setminus H \neq \emptyset$  because  $|H| \leq |\beta| \cdot \omega < \tau = |G|$ .

Now the family  $\{g_\alpha + A(f_\alpha); \alpha \leq \beta\}$  is disjoint.

Then take a mapping  $f \in X^G$  such that  $f|_{g_\alpha + A(f_\alpha)} = f_\alpha \circ l_{g_\alpha}^{-1}|_{g_\alpha + A(f_\alpha)}$  for any  $\alpha \in \tau$ .

The subspace  $Y = \{f_g = f \circ l_g; g \in G\}$  of the space  $X^G$  is a semi-topological group, its elements are functions  $f_g, g \in G$ , where  $f_g(a) = f(g + a)$ , for  $a \in G$ , with the group operation  $f_g + f_h = f_{g+h}$ . The neutral element is  $f_0 = f$ , inverse elements are  $-f_g = f_{-g}$ .

The subbasic neighbourhoods of the neutral element  $f = f_0$  are sets  $U_c^f = \{f_g; f_g(c) = f(g + c) \in U\}$ , where  $U$  are neighbourhoods of  $f(c)$  in  $X$ . The subbasic neighbourhoods of an element  $f_g$  are sets  $U_c^{f_g} = \{f_h; f_h(c) = f(g + h + c) \in U\} = \{f_{g+k}; f_{g+k}(c) = f(g + k + c) = f_k(g + c) \in U\} = f_g + U_{g+c}^f$ , where  $U$  are neighbourhoods of  $f_g(c) = f(g + c)$  in  $X$ .

If we take for  $G$  a group of order 2 then  $Y$  is a quasi-topological group. (Here  $l_g^{-1} = l_g$ .)

**Lemma 2.** Take  $G, X, f$  from Example 5. For any finite sets  $\{x_0, \dots, x_m\} \subset X$  and  $\{d_0, \dots, d_m\} \subset G$ , where  $d_i \neq d_j$  for  $i \neq j, i, j = 0, \dots, m$ , there is a  $g_\alpha \in G$  (chosen by the transfinite induction in Example 5) such that  $f_{g_\alpha}(d_i) = f(g_\alpha + d_i) = x_i, i = 0, 1, \dots, m$ . Moreover  $g_\alpha + d_i \neq 0$  for all  $i = 0, \dots, m$ .

**Proof.** For the finite mapping  $h$  assigning  $x_i$  to  $d_i, i = 0, \dots, m$ , there must exist an  $\alpha \in \tau$  that  $h = f_\alpha \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $A(f_\alpha) = \{d_0, \dots, d_m\}$ . From  $f|_{g_\alpha + A(f_\alpha)} = f_\alpha \circ l_{g_\alpha}^{-1}|_{g_\alpha + A(f_\alpha)}$  it follows that  $f_{g_\alpha}(d_i) = f(g_\alpha + d_i) = x_i$ . Clearly we can suppose that  $\alpha \neq 0$ . Thanks to the construction of the family  $\{g_\alpha + A(f_\alpha)\}$  in Korovin's orbit we have  $g_\alpha$  that is not in the minimal subgroup generated by  $A(f_\alpha)$ . Thus  $g_\alpha, d_1 + g_\alpha, \dots, d_m + g_\alpha \neq 0$ .  $\square$

Korovin's orbit with a group  $G$  of order 2 is a Hausdorff quasi-topological group that has not a group weak (and semi-) completion:

**Example 6.** Take Korovin's orbit  $Y$  described in Example 5. Let  $G$  be a group of order 2 so that  $Y$  would be quasi-topological.

Denote by  $\mathfrak{f}$  the filter generated by the set consisting of all the sets  $F_{c_0, \dots, c_n} = \{f_g; f_g(c_i) = f(c_i), i = 0, \dots, n\}$ , where  $c_0, \dots, c_n \neq 0$ .

It holds:  $F_{c_0, \dots, c_n} \cap F_{d_0, \dots, d_m} = F_{c_0, \dots, c_n, d_0, \dots, d_m} \in \mathfrak{f}$  and  $f$  is in  $\bigcap \mathfrak{f}$ . Thus  $\mathfrak{f}$  is a filter on  $Y$ .

First we show that  $\mathfrak{f}$  is weak Cauchy. Take an arbitrary set  $F_{c_0, \dots, c_n} \in \mathfrak{f}$  and a basic neighbourhood  $U_{d_0, \dots, d_m}^f = \{f_g; f_g(d_i) \in U_i, i = 0, \dots, m\}$  of  $f_0 = f$ , where  $U_i$  are neighbourhoods of  $f(d_i)$  in  $X, d_i \in G, i = 0, \dots, m$ .

If  $d_i \neq 0$  for all  $i = 0, \dots, m$  then  $U_{d_0, \dots, d_m}^f \supset F_{d_0, \dots, d_m} \in \mathfrak{f}$ . We have  $f_0 = f \in F_{c_0, \dots, c_n}$  and  $f_0 + U_{d_0, \dots, d_m}^f = U_{d_0, \dots, d_m}^f \in \mathfrak{f}$ .

Take now  $d_0 = 0$ . Thanks to the previous lemma we find such an  $\alpha \neq 0$  that  $f_{g_\alpha}(c_i) = f(c_i)$ ,  $i = 0, \dots, n$  (which means that  $f_{g_\alpha} \in F_{c_0, \dots, c_n}$ ) and  $f_{g_\alpha}(d_i) = f(d_i)$ ,  $i = 0, \dots, m$  and  $g_\alpha, d_1 + g_\alpha, \dots, d_m + g_\alpha \neq 0$ . The set  $F_{g_\alpha, d_1 + g_\alpha, \dots, d_m + g_\alpha} = \{f_g; f_g(d_i + g_\alpha) = f(d_i + g_\alpha) = f(d_i) = f_{g_\alpha}(d_i + g_\alpha), i = 0, \dots, m\} \in \mathfrak{f}$ . The last set is included in a neighbourhood  $U_{d_0 + g_\alpha, \dots, d_m + g_\alpha}^{f_{g_\alpha}} = U_{d_0, \dots, d_m}^f + f_{g_\alpha}$  of  $f_{g_\alpha}$ , which finally must belong to the filter  $\mathfrak{f}$ .

Filter  $\mathfrak{f}$  is weak Cauchy.

It cannot be Cauchy. In fact the function  $f = f_0$  is in  $\bigcap \mathfrak{f}$  and if  $\mathfrak{f}$  were Cauchy it would converge to  $f$ . It does not because thanks to the previous lemma for any point  $x \in X \setminus V$ , where  $V$  is a neighbourhood of  $f(0)$  in  $X$ , and any  $F_{c_0, \dots, c_n}$ , where  $c_0, \dots, c_n \neq 0$ , we find an  $\alpha < \tau$  such that  $f(c_i + g_\alpha) = f(c_i)$ ,  $i = 0, \dots, n$ , and  $f(g_\alpha) = x$ . Thus the neighbourhood  $V^f = \{f_d; f_d(0) \in V\}$  of  $f$  is not in the filter  $\mathfrak{f}$  because for every  $F_{c_0, \dots, c_n}$  from the base of the filter  $\mathfrak{f}$  we can find a function  $f_{g_\alpha} \in F_{c_0, \dots, c_n} \setminus V^f$ .

From the last example it follows that Korovin's orbits are not topological groups because in topological groups Cauchy, weak Cauchy and semi-Cauchy filters coincide.

There still remains an important question:

**Question 1.** Do quasi-topological groups have group classic completions or completions?

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